



**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
INTRA-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE**



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**FROM: CHIEF PETE N. KASSETAS**  
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**TO: ALL DPS COMMISSIONED PERSONNEL**

**SUBJECT: DIRECTIVE 2015-11 WEARING OF MILITARY SERVICE RIBBONS  
AND AWARD RIBBONS – AMENDED**

The purpose of this directive is to allow the wearing of a military service pin on the class "A" uniform for all current and former members of the armed services. It also changes the wearing of all pins on the class "A" uniform until ADM: 24 Uniforms, Grooming, and Equipment is revised.

Due to a number of commissioned personnel serving in the military, I am authorizing the wearing of a ribbon to honor their service.

Any ribbons and pins may be worn on the class "A" uniform in accordance to the following procedures:

1. All pins and ribbons will be worn centered and directly above the officer's name plate. The lowest portion of the pin will be 1/8 inch above the top edge of the name plate.
2. If an officer chooses to wear a marksmanship pin in conjunction with any specialty team pin, the marksmanship pin will be centered and 1/8 inch above the name plate. The team pin will be 1/8 inch above the marksmanship pin and centered.
3. If an officer chooses to wear an award ribbon or military service ribbon, it will be centered and worn 1/8 inch directly above the name plate. See ADM: 28 Medals and Awards for further information on award ribbons. Any other pins will be worn centered and 1/8 inch above the award ribbon.
4. When multiple ribbons are worn, they will be directly above the name plate and worn side by side and centered on the name plate. Other pins will be worn in the same order as stated above 1/8 inch above the ribbons.
5. When multiple pins are worn the order from bottom to top will always be award ribbon (if eligible), marksmanship pin, and specialty team pin.
6. No more than two (2) pins and two (2) award ribbons will be worn on the uniform at any one time. If an officer is eligible to wear more than one (1) specialty team pin (e.g. Honor Guard and Dive Team) only one (1) team pin may be worn on the uniform at a time.

See diagrams below as examples for procedures on how to wear pins.

In order to qualify for the military ribbon an officer must request a pin from his/her district commander. Upon confirmation of service, the commander will issue a

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ribbon to the requesting officer. The department has purchased and will provide the ribbons to all qualified personnel who choose to wear the ribbon.

Your compliance with this directive is expected and appreciated.

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